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Application of Hanspeter Reust

Ser. No. 09/897,229

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**Expedited Procedure** 

For DAIRY BASED COSMETIC PRODUCT, etc.

Attorney's Docket 1177-001A

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Commissioner of Patents Washington DC 20231

Sir:

## **RESPONSE**

Responsive to the Office letter mailed on November 5, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

--1. (twice amended) A process for producing a premix for a dairy-based cosmetic product, by preparing a premix consisting essentially of mixing whey powder with water or with a pasteurized or unpasteurized liquid whey carrier wherein the whey is obtained as a byproduct of cheesemaking, heating the resulting mixture to a temperature between 50°C and the boiling point of the mixture, then cooling the heated mixture, adding a preservative, and imidazolidinyl urea to the mixture prior to or after heating to complete preparation of the premix.--

Delete claims 3-5, 11-12, 14, and 18-21.